

CITY OF GARDNER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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M E E T I N G Monday, January 13, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. CITY HALL ANNEX SECOND FLOOR MEETING ROOM 203

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AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Greg Dumas, Chairman Gardner Conservation Commission

MEETING

Minutes

Vote to Approve the Minutes of the Meeting of October 28, 2019 Vote to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of December 13, 2019

Request for Determination of Applicability

RDA # 2019-6-10: The Gardner Conservation Commission will resume a joint Public Meeting under MGL, Ch. 131, § 40, Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Gardner Wetlands Protection Ordinance (City Code Ch. 650) on the Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Massachusetts Electric Company (aka National Grid), 40 Sylvan Road, E2.474, Waltham, MA. The work will be located along Clark Street within the road layout and will consist of the replacement and relocation and new installation of multiple utility poles and stub poles. The work

will occur within the 100-foot buffer zone of the Bank of Perley Brook Reservoir, 200-foot riverfront Area of Perley Brook, and local 30-foot 'No-Disturb' Zone and 60-foot 'No-Build' Zone of associated Wetland Resource Areas.

Continued from the Mtngs. of July 8th and 22nd, August 26th, Sept. 23rd, Oct. 28th and Nov. 25, 2019.

Request for Determination of Applicability

The Gardner Conservation Commission will hold a joint Public Meeting under MGL, Ch. 131, § 40, Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Gardner Wetlands Protection Ordinance (City Code Ch. 650) on the Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Carl Carlson, 149 Minott Street, Gardner for work located at 149 Minott Street, Gardner, MA to include partial breech of a beaver dam and the installation of a flow control device. The purpose of the work is to address flooding issues created by a beaver dam on Nat's Ditch just upstream from the Wright's Reservoir while still maintain the presence of the beaver dam and suitable water flow conditions.

Request for Amended Order of Conditions

DEP#160-0610 West Street Solar.

The Gardner Conservation Commission will hold a joint Public Hearing under MGL, Ch. 131, § 40, Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Gardner Wetlands Protection Ordinance (City Code Ch. 650) on the Request for Amended Order of Conditions filed by Borrego Solar Systems, Inc. representing D&E Realty, for a property located at 959 West Street (Parcels C37-20-20 and H32-17-11), Gardner, on land accessible from Morse Avenue, Templeton and situated north of West Street, south of Clark Street, and east of Otter River Road. The previously approved project included the construction of a 6,930.00kW ground mount solar energy generating facility through the installation of solar array structures on 23.2 acres of land. A previous Amendment for a 2,250 foot interconnection route to Clark Street was approved by the Commission on April 4, 2019.

Request for Extension of Order of Conditions

None

Request for Certificate of Compliance

P.J Albert, Inc. is requesting a Certificate of Compliance for DEP#160-0616, project located at Route 2/Route 60 Interchange Rotary.

Enforcement Order

- 959 West Street, Borrego Solar Status Update
- Otter River Road Solar Status Update

Emergency Certification

None

Presentations

None

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Old Business

- Trail Maintenance Tools and Equipment Pack purchase in honor of Troop-9 Scout
- Timpany Crossroads Stormwater Monitoring Update

New Business

- The end of the federal NAWCA grant period and final expenditures
- Possible LAND grant application in July 2020

NOTICE: These Agenda items consist of items that are reasonably anticipated by the Chair to be discussed at the meeting and are specifically allowed to be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Agent of the Conservation Commission